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1986 PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

The Department of Commerce recently released 1986 per capita personal income (PCPI) estimates. PCPI is produced by dividing the total personal income of residents (for the year) by the resident population as of July 1. According to the report, the Tennessee 1986 per capita personal income of $11,995 was 81.9 percent of the nation's $14,639.

The Nashville Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) had the highest per capita income at $14,248 for the MSA's, followed by the Memphis MSA at $13,380. The lowest MSA per capita income of $10,663 was for Clarksville, followed by the Johnson City MSA at $10,749.

Eight Tennessee counties had a per capita income greater than the state average. Four of these (Davidson, Williamson, Rutherford, and Sumner counties) are part of the Nashville MSA. Only Davidson and Williamson counties had a per capita income greater than the nation. Williamson county had the highest per capita income for the counties at $17,613, followed by Davidson county at $15,572.

Hancock county had the lowest county per capita income at $6,040 which was only 50.4 percent of the state figure and 41.3 percent of the nation's. Pickett county ranked 94th with a per capita income of $6,577 which is 54.8 percent of the state figure and 44.9 percent of the nation's.

1986 PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

	1986	Percent of Tennessee	Percent of United States
United States	$14,639		100.00%
Tennessee	$11,995	100.00%	81.94%
MSA's:			
Chattanooga, TN-GA	$12,533	104.49%	85.61%
Clarksville-Hopkinsville, TN-KY	$10,663	88.90%	72.84%
Jackson, TN	$11,235	93.66%	76.75%
Johnson City-Kingsport-Bristol, TN-VA	$10,749	89.61%	73.43%
Knoxville, TN	$12,193	101.65%	83.29%
Memphis, TN-AR-MS	$13,380	111.55%	91.40%
Nashville, TN	$14,248	118.78%	97.33%

COUNTIES:	1986	County Rank in Tennessee	Percent of Tennessee	Percent of United States
Anderson	$12,282	7	102.39%	83.90%
Bedford	$11,350	16	94.62%	77.53%
Benton	$9,610	49	80.12%	65.65%
Bledsoe	$7,994	80	66.64%	54.61%
Blount	$11,893	10	99.15%	81.24%
Bradley	$11,361	15	94.71%	77.61%
Campbell	$8,436	76	70.33%	57.63%
Cannon	$9,833	45	81.98%	67.17%
Carroll	$9,629	48	80.28%	65.78%
Carter	$8,771	70	73.12%	59.92%
Cheatham	$9,907	39	82.59%	67.68%
Chester	$8,970	63	74.78%	61.27%
Claiborne	$8,953	65	74.64%	61.16%
Clay	$7,705	84	64.24%	52.63%
Cocke	$7,839	82	65.35%	53.55%
Coffee	$11,890	11	99.12%	81.22%
Crockett	$9,347	55	77.92%	63.85%
Cumberland	$9,802	46	81.72%	66.96%
Davidson	$15,572	2	129.82%	106.37%
Decatur	$8,807	69	73.42%	60.16%

COUNTIES:	1986	County Rank in Tennessee	Percent of Tennessee	Percent of United States
DeKalb	$9,836	44	82.00%	67.19%
Dickson	$11,301	19	94.21%	77.20%
Dyer	$10,483	28	87.39%	71.61%
Fayette	$9,526	52	79.42%	65.07%
Fentress	$6,784	93	56.56%	46.34%
Franklin	$9,953	37	82.98%	67.99%
Gibson	$10,373	29	86.48%	70.86%
Giles	$10,936	22	91.17%	74.70%
Grainger	$7,087	91	59.08%	48.41%
Greene	$9,887	40	82.43%	67.54%
Grundy	$8,020	79	66.86%	54.79%
Hamblen	$9,665	47	80.58%	66.02%
Hamilton	$13,810	4	115.13%	94.34%
Hancock	$6,040	95	50.35%	41.26%
Hardeman	$8,265	77	68.90%	56.46%
Hardin	$9,255	57	77.16%	63.22%
Hawkins	$8,618	74	71.85%	58.87%
Haywood	$9,029	61	75.27%	61.68%
Henderson	$9,163	59	76.39%	62.59%
Henry	$10,067	34	83.93%	68.77%
Hickman	$9,302	56	77.55%	63.54%
Houston	$8,883	67	74.06%	60.68%
Humphreys	$9,854	42	82.15%	67.31%
Jackson	$7,654	87	63.81%	52.28%
Jefferson	$9,229	58	76.94%	63.04%
Johnson	$7,361	89	61.37%	50.28%
Knox	$13,271	5	110.64%	90.66%
Lake	$7,758	83	64.68%	53.00%
Lauderdale	$8,901	66	74.21%	60.80%
Lawrence	$10,054	35	83.82%	68.68%
Lewis	$6,893	92	57.47%	47.09%
Lincoln	$10,562	27	88.05%	72.15%
Loudon	$10,182	33	84.89%	69.55%
McMinn	$10,298	31	85.85%	70.35%
McNairy	$9,039	60	75.36%	61.75%
Macon	$8,715	71	72.66%	59.53%
Madison	$11,235	20	93.66%	76.75%
Marion	$9,409	54	78.44%	64.27%

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Marshall	$11,349	17	94.61%	77.53%
Maury	$11,052	21	92.14%	75.50%
Meigs	$8,960	64	74.70%	61.21%
Monroe	$8,619	73	71.85%	58.88%
Montgomery	$10,609	26	88.45%	72.47%
Moore	$9,014	62	75.15%	61.58%
Morgan	$7,701	85	64.20%	52.61%
Obion	$11,312	18	94.31%	77.27%
Overton	$7,276	90	60.66%	49.70%
Perry	$9,530	51	79.45%	65.10%
Pickett	$6,577	94	54.83%	44.93%
Polk	$9,579	50	79.86%	65.43%
Putnam	$10,630	23	88.62%	72.61%
Rhea	$10,623	25	88.56%	72.57%
Roane	$11,379	14	94.86%	77.73%
Robertson	$9,861	41	82.21%	67.36%
Rutherford	$12,126	8	101.09%	82.83%
Scott	$7,494	88	62.48%	51.19%
Sequatchie	$8,131	78	67.79%	55.54%
Sevier	$10,194	32	84.99%	69.64%
Shelby	$14,006	3	116.77%	95.68%
Smith	$10,623	24	88.56%	72.57%
Stewart	$8,831	68	73.62%	60.33%
Sullivan	$11,739	12	97.87%	80.19%
Sumner	$12,612	6	105.14%	86.15%
Tipton	$9,842	43	82.05%	67.23%
Trousdale	$8,606	75	71.75%	58.79%
Unicoi	$9,416	53	78.50%	64.32%
Union	$7,676	86	63.99%	52.44%
Van Buren	$7,980	81	66.53%	54.51%
Warren	$10,325	30	86.08%	70.53%
Washington	$11,639	13	97.03%	79.51%
Wayne	$8,650	72	72.11%	59.09%
Weakley	$9,964	36	83.07%	68.06%
White	$9,945	38	82.91%	67.93%
Williamson	$17,613	1	146.84%	120.32%
Wilson	$11,949	9	99.62%	81.62%

COUNTY UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

COUNTY	APRIL 1988	APRIL 1987
ANDERSON	4.0	6.6
BEDFORD	5.0	6.9
BENTON	6.3	12.3
BLEDSOE	4.8	5.7
BLOUNT	6.4	8.2
BRADLEY	4.3	6.0
CAMPBELL	9.8	14.3
CANNON	6.5	11.2
CARROLL	7.9	10.6
CARTER	7.7	9.2
CHEATHAM	3.8	3.8
CHESTER	5.5	7.3
CLAIBORNE	7.2	7.6
CLAY	3.8	3.0
COCKE	13.3	14.1
COFFEE	5.7	7.7
CROCKETT	5.6	13.3
CUMBEF AND	5.9	8.4
DAVIDSON	3.8	3.8
DECATUR	6.9	12.2
DEKALB	7.4	7.9
DICKSON	5.4	6.2
DYER	5.8	8.2
FAYETTE	6.9	6.0
FENTRESS	8.1	12.8
FRANKLIN	5.2	5.8
GIBSON	7.8	11.1
GILES	7.1	8.4
GRAINGER	8.2	10.4
GREENE	10.7	12.1
GRUNDY	9.0	12.2
HAMBLEN	6.8	8.2
HAMILTON	4.5	5.5
HANCOCK	5.1	7.3
HARDEMAN	6.8	8.5
HARDIN	8.8	9.7
HAWKINS	4.8	7.2
HAYWOOD	6.8	12.5
HENDERSON	7.2	10.1
HENRY	10.2	20.2
HICKMAN	6.4	8.4
HOUSTON	7.3	10.1
HUMPHREYS	10.1	18.4
JACKSON	11.2	12.4
JEFFERSON	7.7	9.9
JOHNSON	9.2	12.7
KNOX	4.6	6.1
LAKE	5.4	8.7
LAUDERDALE	6.9	7.1
LAWRENCE	6.5	9.7
LEWIS	8.3	13.2
LINCOLN	6.9	5.9
LOUDON	4.7	8.0
MACON	8.0	7.7
MADISON	5.9	9.2
MARION	8.8	12.6
MARSHALL	4.7	5.6
MAURY	5.7	7.2
MCMINN	5.5	8.0
MCNAIRY	8.6	11.0
MEIGS	12.1	9.3
MONROE	5.8	9.4
MONTGOMERY	5.5	5.6
MOORE	5.3	6.3
MORGAN	7.9	12.2
OBION	5.8	6.8
OVERTON	6.6	10.8
PERRY	7.0	12.9
PICKETT	8.2	19.4
POLK	13.7	10.1
PUTNAM	4.5	6.1
RHEA	8.8	9.4
ROANE	4.8	6.5
ROBERTSON	5.2	5.8
RUTHERFORD	3.8	4.8
SCOTT	10.0	19.8
SEQUATCHIE	5.2	8.8
SEVIER	9.3	10.4
SHELBY	4.2	5.5
SMITH	5.4	5.8
STEWART	5.1	5.2
SULLIVAN	4.2	6.4
SUMNER	4.9	5.0
TIPTON	5.9	8.0
TROUSDALE	4.4	5.1
UNICOI	8.0	10.4
UNION	7.5	11.8
VAN BUREN	5.6	9.5
WARREN	6.4	13.0
WASHINGTON	5.2	6.9
WAYNE	6.8	9.3
WEAKLEY	3.6	4.7
WHITE	5.6	8.5
WILLIAMSON	2.6	2.5
WILSON	5.9	5.1

TENNESSEE CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE SUMMARY

(Not Seasonally Adjusted)

	April 1987				Revised March 1988				Preliminary April 1988			
	Labor Force	Employment	Unemploy.	Rate	Labor Force	Employment	Unemploy.	Rate	Labor Force	Employment	Unemploy.	Rate
U. S. 1/	118,347,000	111,041,000	7,306,000	6.2	119,957,000	112,867,000	7,090,000	5.9	120,264,000	113,905,000	6,359,000	5.3
TENNESSEE 2/	2,321,500	2,164,800	156,700	6.7	2,377,600	2,238,000	139,600	5.9	2,373,500	2,248,300	125,200	5.3
MSAs												
CHATTANOOGA	205,400	193,400	12,000	5.8	213,400	201,800	11,600	5.4	212,100	201,600	10,500	5.0
JOHNSON CITY, KINGSPORT, AND BRISTOL	213,200	198,500	14,700	6.9	221,200	208,300	12,900	5.8	220,700	209,200	11,500	5.2
KNOXVILLE	282,000	261,700	20,300	7.2	282,100	265,500	16,600	5.9	283,100	267,600	15,500	5.5
MEMPHIS	436,200	411,200	25,000	5.7	456,200	433,600	22,600	5.0	453,300	432,800	20,500	4.5
NASHVILLE	518,200	496,500	21,700	4.2	519,400	496,400	23,000	4.4	517,100	496,100	21,000	4.1

1/ Error range for these estimates is plus or minus 0.2 percentage points.
2/ Error range for these estimates cannot be computed.

Tennessee's estimated April unemployment rate at 5.3 percent matched the national unemployment rate for the second month in a row. It was the lowest monthly unemployment rate experienced in the state since October 1979 when the unemployment rate was 5.2 percent. From March to April the unemployment rate declined by six-tenths of a percentage point.

Tennessee's employment growth rate when compared to last April increased by 3.9 percent while nationwide employment grew at only 2.6 percent.

Approximately 83,500 more Tennesseans were working this April than a year ago and 31,500 fewer people were unemployed, resulting in a net growth in the labor force of 52,000. This combination of factors results in a lower unemployment rate.

Polk County at 13.7 percent had the highest unemployment rate in the state. This is the first time since November 1979 that the county with the highest unemployment rate was this low. At that time Jackson County was at 13.5 percent.

The April unemployment rate for 87 counties was under 9.9 percent and only eight counties reported a rate of 10 percent or more. Williamson County at 2.6 percent continued to register the lowest unemployment rate in the state.

Record levels of employment were set in services, with 421,900 jobs; durable goods, with 248,200 jobs; transportation, communication, and public utilities, with 105,700 jobs; and rubber and miscellaneous plastics, with 24,800 jobs.

STATEWIDE

ESTIMATED NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (In thousands) *

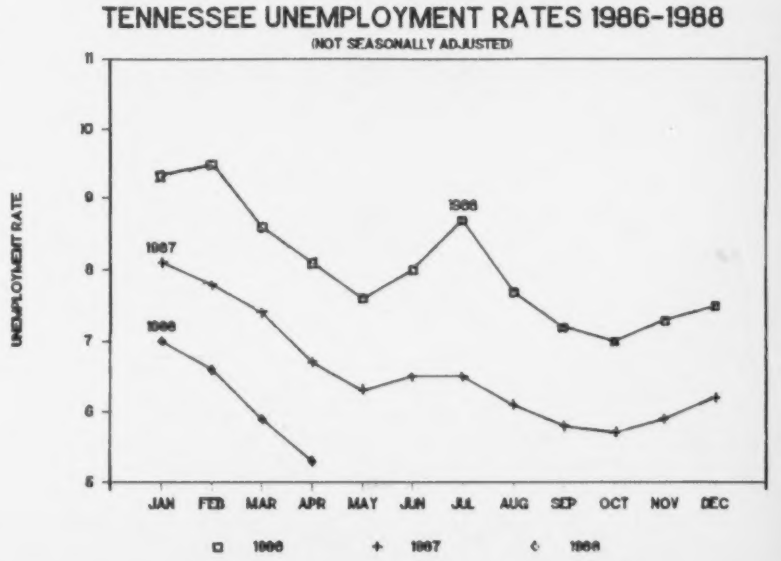
INDUSTRY	APRIL 1987	MARCH 1988	APRIL 1988	Net Change APR. 1987 to APR. 1988	Net Change MAR. 1988 to APR. 1988
TOTAL	1987.4	2042.7	2055.6	68.2	12.9
Manufacturing	491.1	498.2	497.5	6.4	-0.7
Durable Goods	242.6	247.5	248.2	5.6	0.7
Lumber & Wood Products	20.4	20.6	20.9	0.5	0.3
Furniture & Fixtures	24.7	26.7	26.9	2.2	0.2
Stone, Clay, Glass, & Concrete	14.8	15.0	14.9	0.1	-0.1
Primary Metal Industries	15.9	15.6	15.7	-0.2	0.1
Fabricated Metal Products	39.9	39.9	39.8	-0.1	-0.1
Machinery, Except Electrical	36.2	36.5	36.2	2.0	-0.3
Electrical & Electronic Machinery	35.3	36.9	37.3	2.0	0.4
Transportation Equipment	35.1	33.3	33.4	-1.7	0.1
Instruments & Related Products	9.1	9.4	9.3	0.2	-0.1
Miscellaneous Manufacturing	11.1	11.8	11.8	0.7	0.2
Nondurable Goods	248.5	250.7	249.3	0.8	-1.4
Food & Kindred Products	38.1	38.8	39.1	1.0	0.3
Meat Products	7.7	8.2	8.2	0.5	0.0
Dairy Products	2.8	2.8	2.8	0.0	0.0
Tobacco Manufactures	1.2	1.8	1.1	-0.1	-0.5
Textile Mill Products	23.8	23.7	23.4	-0.4	-0.3
Knitting Mills	11.7	11.8	11.6	-0.1	-0.2
Yarn & Thread Mills	3.1	3.1	3.1	0.0	0.0
Apparel Products	63.3	63.1	62.5	-0.8	-0.6
Paper & Allied Products	18.2	18.4	18.3	0.1	-0.1
Printing, Publishing, & Allied Indus.	33.6	33.4	33.3	-0.3	-0.1
Chemicals & Allied Products	37.2	36.9	36.4	-0.8	-0.5
Petroleum Refining & Related Indus.	0.9	1.0	1.0	0.1	0.0
Rubber & Miscellaneous Plastics	23.4	24.5	24.8	1.4	0.3
Leather & Leather Products	8.9	9.3	9.4	0.5	0.1
Nonmanufacturing	1498.3	1544.5	1558.1	61.8	13.6
Mining	6.8	6.3	6.5	-0.3	0.2
Construction	91.9	96.7	99.9	8.0	3.2
Trans., Communication, & Utilities	102.0	105.3	105.7	3.7	0.4
Trade	467.4	476.8	481.1	13.7	4.3
Wholesale Trade	122.7	127.1	127.0	4.3	-0.1
Wholesale Durable Goods	69.3	71.0	70.7	1.4	-0.3
Wholesale Nondurable Goods	53.4	56.1	56.3	2.9	0.2
Retail Trade	344.8	349.7	354.1	9.3	4.4
Building Materials & Garden Supp.	14.6	14.2	14.4	-0.2	0.2
General Merchandise Stores	48.5	49.8	50.3	1.8	0.5
Food Stores	57.5	57.8	57.7	0.2	-0.1
Automotive Dlrs. & Serv. Stations	41.3	42.3	42.6	1.3	0.3
Apparel & Accessory Stores	19.2	17.9	17.9	-1.3	0.0
Furniture & Home Furnishings	13.4	13.8	13.6	0.2	-0.2
Eating & Drinking Places	110.2	112.6	116.4	6.2	3.5
Miscellaneous Retail	40.0	41.0	41.2	1.2	0.2
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	100.9	101.4	102.2	1.3	0.8
Banking	27.3	28.1	28.2	0.9	0.1
Insurance Carriers	24.9	24.6	24.5	-0.4	-0.1
Services	401.4	417.8	421.9	20.5	4.1
Hotels & Other Lodging	27.8	28.1	30.5	2.9	2.4
Personal Services	26.2	26.6	26.8	0.6	0.2
Business Services	83.7	85.2	85.4	1.7	0.2
Health Services	129.7	134.8	134.9	5.2	0.1
Hospitals	63.1	66.1	66.3	3.2	0.2
Government	325.8	340.2	340.8	15.0	0.6
Federal	64.1	65.5	65.4	1.3	-0.1
State & Local	261.7	274.7	275.4	13.7	0.7
State	73.8	76.8	76.7	2.9	-0.1
Local	187.9	197.9	198.7	10.8	0.8

*Data includes all full and part-time nonagricultural wage and salary employees who worked during, or received pay for, any part of the pay period which includes the 12th of the month. This is a count of jobs by place of work. Agricultural workers, proprietors, self-employed persons, workers in private households, and unpaid family workers are excluded.

Numbers may not add due to rounding.

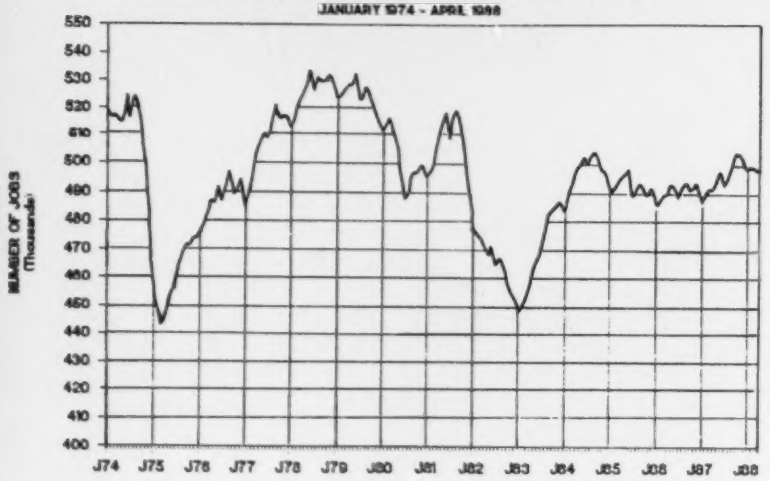
HOURS AND EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS

	Average Weekly Earnings Apr. 1987	Average Weekly Earnings Mar. 1988	Average Weekly Earnings Apr. 1988	Average Weekly Hours Apr. 1987	Average Weekly Hours Mar. 1988	Average Weekly Hours Apr. 1988	Average Hourly Earnings Apr. 1987	Average Hourly Earnings Mar. 1988	Average Hourly Earnings Apr. 1988
All Manufacturing	355.19	369.51	370.35	40.5	41.8	41.8	8.77	8.84	8.86
Durable Goods	386.57	397.80	399.32	41.3	42.5	42.8	9.36	9.36	9.33
Lumber & Wood Products	238.90	246.18	254.61	39.1	39.9	41.0	6.11	6.17	6.21
Furniture & Fixtures	308.50	269.31	290.16	39.5	37.3	39.0	7.81	7.22	7.44
Stone, Clay, Glass, & Conc.	511.38	533.56	549.00	45.7	44.5	45.0	11.19	11.99	12.20
Primary Metal Industries	481.95	498.08	484.22	42.5	44.0	42.7	11.34	11.32	11.34
Fabricated Metal Products	398.26	415.35	418.28	41.1	42.6	43.3	9.69	9.75	9.66
Machinery	382.02	413.27	410.70	42.4	44.2	44.4	9.01	9.35	9.25
Instruments & Related Prod.	344.43	381.25	370.88	38.7	46.1	44.1	8.90	8.27	8.41
Nondurable Goods	324.37	341.13	339.85	39.8	41.1	40.7	8.15	8.30	8.35
Food & Kindred Products	332.05	358.28	362.44	40.2	42.3	41.9	8.26	8.47	8.65
Textile Mill Products	269.84	282.34	277.68	40.7	40.8	39.0	6.63	6.92	7.12
Apparel Products	199.60	210.17	213.16	35.9	37.8	38.2	5.56	5.56	5.58
Paper & Allied Products	466.55	493.70	495.49	43.4	44.8	44.8	10.75	11.02	11.06
Chemical & Allied Prod.	458.85	474.03	468.02	41.6	42.4	41.9	11.03	11.18	11.17
Rubber & Misc. Plastics	420.71	454.36	442.11	44.1	45.3	44.3	9.54	10.03	9.98
Leather & Leather Products	253.37	252.96	243.72	39.1	40.8	39.5	6.48	6.20	6.17



MANUFACTURING JOBS IN TENNESSEE

JANUARY 1974 - APRIL 1988



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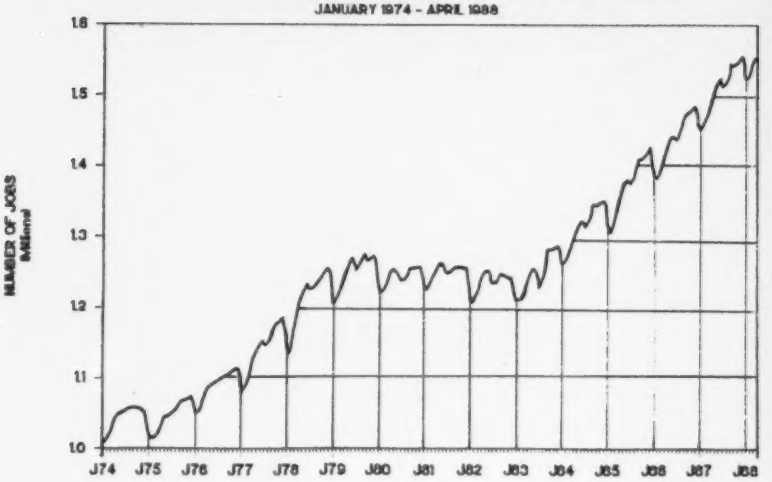
JANUARY 1974 - APRIL 1988



STATE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

STATE BENEFIT PROGRAM

CLAIMS	April 1987	March 1988	April 1988
Initial Claims	32,283	27,241	26,208
Continued Weeks Claimed	163,941	214,800	153,014
Nonmonetary Determinations	2,646	4,175	3,558
Appeals Decisions	1,118	1,333	1,015
Lower Authority	934	1,085	807
Higher Authority	184	248	208
Hearings-Other States	0	0	0
BENEFITS			
Amount Paid	$13,756,400	$19,808,749	$14,039,249
Benefit Weeks Paid	145,633	195,977	136,055
Average Weekly Benefit Amount	$ 97	$ 104	$ 105
First Payments	10,386	10,910	9,296
Final Payments	3,735	3,849	3,382
Average Weeks Duration	12	12	12
Trust Fund Balance	$420,751,596	$472,290,375	$493,712,950

FEDERAL BENEFIT PROGRAMS

	April 1987	March 1988	April 1988
FORMER FEDERAL EMPLOYEES:			
Benefits Paid	$419,418	$636,092	$417,512
Benefit Weeks Paid	2,638	3,809	2,554
Initial Claims	276	304	295
Continued Weeks Claimed	2,871	3,889	2,651
Appeals Decisions	16	37	15
FORMER MILITARY PERSONNEL:			
Benefits Paid	$186,297	$231,124	$191,694
Benefit Weeks Paid	1,475	1,672	1,408
Initial Claims	235	309	327
Continued Weeks Claimed	1,637	1,854	1,603
Appeals Decisions	5	10	2

CHATTANOOGA MSA

The Chattanooga MSA unemployment rate decreased from 5.4 percent to 5.0 percent. Total nonagricultural employment decreased by 400 jobs to 191,800. Manufacturing employment decreased by 300 jobs with the largest decrease reported in textile mill products (-200). Nonmanufacturing employment decreased by 100 jobs with the largest decreases reported in trade (-300) and services (-300) due to seasonal factors. The largest increase was reported in construction (+600) due to seasonal factors.

ESTIMATED NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (in thousands) *

INDUSTRY	April 1987	March 1988	April 1988	Net Change Apr. 1987 to Apr. 1988	Net Change Mar. 1988 to Apr. 1988
TOTAL	187.2	192.2	191.8	4.6	-0.4
Manufacturing	45.3	46.6	46.3	1.0	-0.3
Durable Goods	17.2	17.4	17.2	0.0	-0.2
Lumber & Wood Products	0.6	0.8	0.7	0.1	-0.1
Stone, Clay, Glass, & Concrete	1.5	1.6	1.6	0.1	0.0
Primary Metals Industries	3.8	3.9	3.9	0.1	0.0
Fabricated Metal Products	3.5	3.3	3.4	-0.1	0.1
Machinery, Except Electrical	2.4	2.1	2.0	-0.4	-0.1
All Other Durable Goods	5.3	5.7	5.6	0.3	-0.1
Nondurable Goods	28.1	29.2	29.1	1.0	-0.1
Food & Kindred Products	6.5	6.7	6.7	0.2	0.0
Textile Mill Products	12.2	13.2	13.0	0.8	-0.2
Knitting Mills	2.6	2.8	2.7	0.1	-0.1
Apparel Products	1.0	1.2	1.2	0.2	0.0
Paper & Allied Products	1.7	1.7	1.7	0.0	0.0
Printing, Publishing, & Allied Ind.	2.1	2.1	2.2	0.1	0.1
Chemicals & Allied Products	3.5	3.4	3.4	-0.1	0.0
All Other Nondurable Goods	1.2	0.9	0.9	-0.3	0.0
Nonmanufacturing	141.8	145.6	145.5	3.7	-0.1
Mining	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.1	0.1
Construction	8.1	8.8	9.4	1.3	0.6
Trans., Communication, & Utilities	8.7	8.3	8.3	-0.4	0.0
Trade	42.2	44.3	44.0	1.8	-0.3
Wholesale Trade	10.7	11.3	11.4	0.7	0.1
Wholesale Durable Goods	6.5	6.8	6.9	0.4	0.1
Wholesale Nondurable Goods	4.1	4.5	4.5	0.4	0.0
Retail Trade	31.5	33.0	32.6	1.1	-0.4
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	11.9	11.7	11.6	-0.3	-0.1
Services	36.6	37.3	37.0	0.4	-0.3
Government	33.7	34.4	34.3	0.6	-0.1
Federal	8.9	9.7	9.8	0.9	-0.2
State & Local	24.8	24.7	24.5	-0.3	-0.2
State	5.9	5.7	5.5	-0.4	-0.2
Local	18.9	18.9	19.1	0.2	0.2

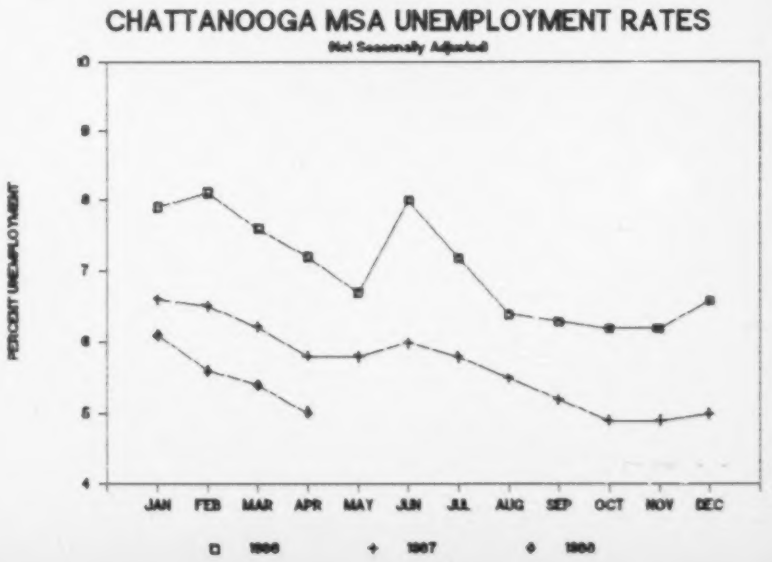
Includes Hamilton, Marion, and Sequatchie counties in Tennessee and Catoosa, Dade, and Walker counties in Georgia.

* Data include all full- and part-time nonagricultural wage and salary employees who worked during, or received pay for, any part of the pay week which includes the 12th of the month. This is a count of jobs by place of work. Agricultural workers, proprietors, self-employed persons, workers in private households, and unpaid family workers are excluded.

Numbers may not add due to rounding.

HOURS AND EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS — CHATTANOOGA MSA

	Average Weekly Earnings Apr. 1987	Average Weekly Earnings Mar. 1988	Average Weekly Earnings Apr. 1988	Average Weekly Hours Apr. 1987	Average Weekly Hours Mar. 1988	Average Weekly Hours Apr. 1988	Average Hourly Earnings Apr. 1987	Average Hourly Earnings Mar. 1988	Average Hourly Earnings Apr. 1988
All Manufacturing	327.76	330.22	326.00	41.7	41.8	40.0	7.86	7.90	8.15
Durable Goods	373.12	372.34	357.98	42.4	42.7	41.1	8.80	8.72	8.71
Stone, Clay, Glass, & Conc.	376.94	413.47	370.64	47.0	43.8	41.0	8.02	9.44	9.04
Iron & Steel Foundries	432.38	448.86	402.90	45.9	47.1	42.5	9.42	9.53	9.48
Fabricated Metal Products	543.01	464.98	449.62	48.7	45.1	43.4	11.15	10.31	10.36
Machinery, Except Elect.	384.16	504.99	571.36	39.2	51.9	53.5	9.80	9.73	10.68
Nondurable Goods	299.52	305.21	305.36	41.2	41.3	39.3	7.27	7.39	7.77
Textile Mill Products	267.07	275.18	250.83	42.8	43.2	39.5	6.24	6.37	6.35
Knitting Mills	217.06	243.19	212.54	38.9	41.5	36.9	5.58	5.86	5.76
Paper & Allied Products	429.80	466.36	504.44	45.1	44.5	47.1	9.53	10.48	10.71
Chemicals & Allied Prod.	447.58	460.94	506.97	39.4	40.9	43.0	11.36	11.27	11.79



JOHNSON CITY, KINGSPORT, AND BRISTOL MSA

The Tri-Cities MSA unemployment rate decreased from 5.8 percent to 5.2 percent. Total nonagricultural employment increased by 800 jobs to 164,200. Manufacturing employment increased slightly by 100 jobs with no inudstry reporting a change in employment greater than 100. Nonmanufacturing employment increased by 700 jobs with the largest increases reported in services (+300) and government (+200) due to seasonal factors.

ESTIMATED NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (in thousands)*

INDUSTRY	April 1987	March 1988	April 1988	Net Change Apr. 1987 to Apr. 1988	Net Change Mar. 1988 to Apr. 1988
TOTAL	157.8	163.4	164.2	6.4	0.8
Manufacturing	53.1	53.9	54.0	0.9	0.1
Durable Goods	21.2	21.8	21.8	0.6	0.0
Lumber & Wood Products and Furniture & Fixtures	2.0	2.1	2.1	0.1	0.0
Stone, Clay, Glass, & Concrete	2.3	2.5	2.4	0.1	-0.1
Fabricated Metal Products	2.4	2.0	2.0	-0.4	0.0
Machinery and Trans. Equipment	10.6	10.8	10.8	0.2	0.0
All Other Durable Goods	3.9	4.4	4.5	0.6	0.1
Nondurable Goods	31.8	32.1	32.2	0.4	0.1
Food & Kindred Products	2.5	2.5	2.5	0.0	0.0
Textile Mill Products	2.7	2.7	2.7	0.0	0.0
Apparel Products	4.8	4.9	4.9	0.1	0.0
Paper & Allied Products and Printing, Publishing, Allied Ind.	5.8	5.8	6.0	0.2	0.2
All Other Nondurable Goods	16.0	16.2	16.1	0.1	-0.1
Nonmanufacturing	104.7	109.5	110.2	5.5	0.7
Mining	0.3	0.2	0.2	-0.1	0.0
Construction	6.1	6.6	6.7	0.6	0.1
Trans., Communication, & Utilities	6.0	5.9	6.0	0.0	0.1
Trade	34.9	35.7	35.8	0.9	0.1
Wholesale Trade	6.6	6.4	6.4	-0.2	0.0
Retail Trade	28.3	29.3	29.5	1.2	0.2
Finance, Insurance,& Real Estate	5.2	5.4	5.3	0.1	-0.1
Services	27.6	31.1	31.4	3.8	0.3
Government	24.6	24.6	24.8	0.2	0.2
Federal	4.4	4.1	4.1	-0.3	0.0
State & Local	20.2	20.5	20.7	0.5	0.2
State	5.3	5.2	5.4	0.1	0.2
Local	14.9	15.2	15.3	0.4	0.1

Includes Washington, Carter, Unicoi, Sullivan, and Hawkins counties in Tennessee and Washington County, Scott County, and Bristol City in Virginia.

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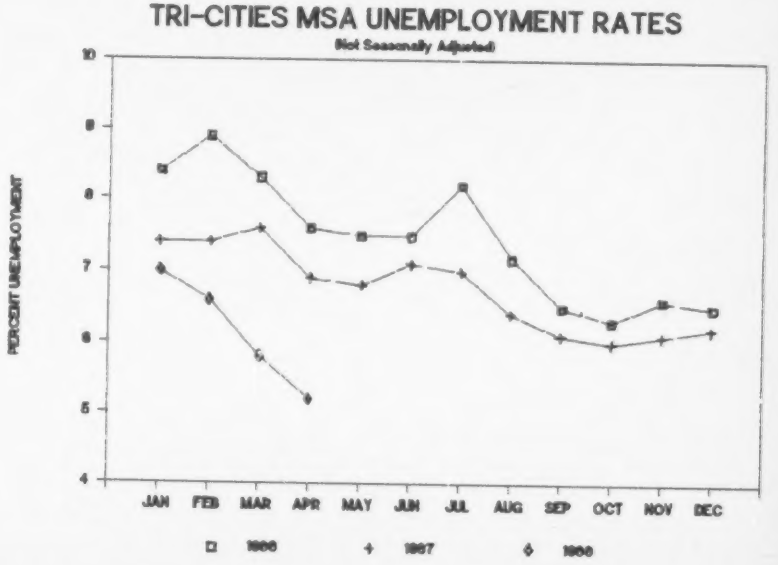
HOURS AND EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS — TRI-CITIES MSA

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Apr. 1987	Mar. 1988	Apr. 1988	Apr. 1987	Mar. 1988	Apr. 1988	Apr. 1987	Mar. 1988	Apr. 1988
All Manufacturing	392.77	407.53	398.11	43.4	43.4	42.9	9.05	9.39	9.28
Durable Goods	372.02	423.28	402.09	44.5	48.1	46.7	8.36	8.80	8.61
Fabricated Metal Prod.	412.26	489.63	455.37	41.6	43.6	43.0	9.91	11.23	10.59
Machinery & Trans. Equip.	401.38	481.77	455.54	47.0	53.0	51.3	8.54	9.09	8.88
Nondurable Goods	406.93	395.97	394.54	42.7	40.2	40.3	9.53	9.85	9.79
Food & Kindred Products	366.66	316.90	316.22	45.1	36.3	37.6	8.13	8.73	8.41
Apparel Products	226.41	174.62	188.03	42.8	32.7	34.5	5.29	5.34	5.45



KNOXVILLE MSA

The Knoxville MSA unemployment rate decreased from 5.9 percent to 5.5 percent. Total nonagricultural employment increased by 2,200 jobs to 248,600. Manufacturing employment decreased by 400 jobs while nonmanufacturing employment increased by 2,600 jobs.

The largest increases were reported in trade (+1,600) and services (+700) due to seasonal factors. The largest decreases were reported in construction (-300) and all other durable goods (-300).

ESTIMATED NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (in thousands)*

INDUSTRY	April 1987	March 1988	April 1988	Net Change Apr. 1987 to Apr. 1988	Net Change Mar. 1988 to Apr. 1988
TOTAL	247.5	246.4	248.6	1.1	2.2
Manufacturing	50.1	50.4	50.0	-0.1	-0.4
Durable Goods	29.4	29.2	29.0	-0.4	-0.2
Lumber & Wood Products	2.1	2.0	2.0	-0.1	0.0
Furniture & Fixtures	2.1	1.8	2.0	-0.1	0.2
Stone, Clay, Glass, & Concrete	1.6	1.6	1.6	0.0	0.0
Machinery, Except Electrical	2.5	2.9	2.8	0.3	-0.1
All Other Durable Goods	21.2	20.9	20.6	-0.6	-0.3
Nondurable Goods	20.7	21.2	21.0	0.3	-0.2
Food & Kindred Products	4.0	4.0	4.1	0.1	0.1
Textile Mill Products	2.9	2.8	2.7	-0.2	-0.1
Apparel Products	8.3	8.9	8.7	0.4	-0.2
Printing, Publishing, & Allied Ind.	2.6	2.6	2.6	0.0	0.0
All Other Nondurable Goods	3.0	2.9	2.9	-0.1	0.0
Nonmanufacturing	197.3	196.0	198.6	1.3	2.6
Mining	2.1	1.8	1.8	-0.3	0.0
Construction	11.6	10.7	10.4	-1.2	-0.3
Trans., Communication, & Utilities	9.5	9.9	10.1	0.6	0.2
Trade	62.2	61.6	63.2	1.0	1.6
Wholesale Trade	14.3	14.2	14.3	0.0	0.1
Wholesale Durable Goods	8.6	8.8	8.8	0.2	0.0
Wholesale Nondurable Goods	5.7	5.4	5.5	-0.2	0.1
Retail Trade	47.9	47.4	48.9	1.0	1.5
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	9.3	9.5	9.6	0.3	0.1
Services	51.2	50.4	51.1	-0.1	0.7
Government	51.5	52.1	52.4	0.9	0.3
Federal	9.0	10.1	10.2	1.2	0.1
State & Local	42.5	41.9	42.2	-0.3	0.3
State	19.9	20.5	20.6	0.7	0.1
Local	22.6	21.4	21.6	-1.0	0.2

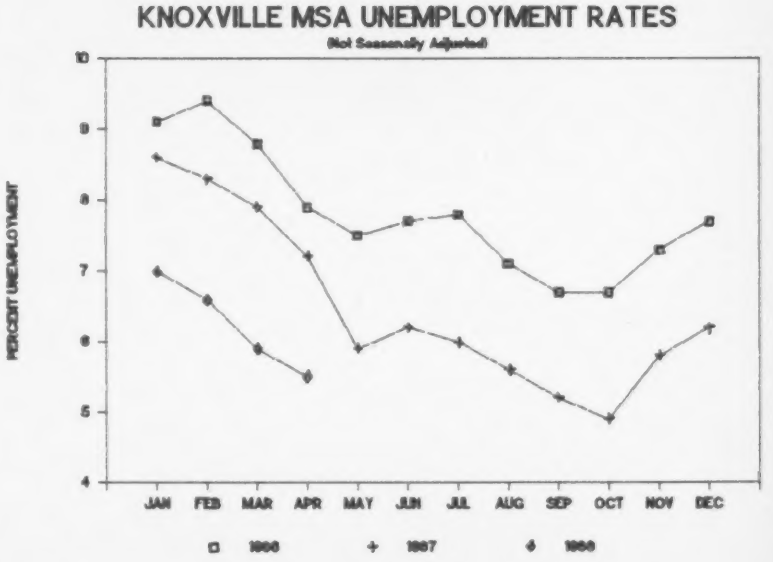
Includes Anderson, Blount, Grainger, Jefferson, Knox, Sevier, and Union counties.

* Data include all full- and part-time nonagricultural wage and salary employees who worked during, or received pay for, any part of the pay week which includes the 12th of the month. This is a count of jobs by place of work. Agricultural workers, proprietors, self-employed persons, workers in private households, and unpaid family workers are excluded.

Numbers may not add due to rounding.

HOURS AND EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS — KNOXVILLE MSA

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Apr. 1987	Mar. 1988	Apr. 1988	Apr. 1987	Mar. 1988	Apr. 1988	Apr. 1987	Mar. 1988	Apr. 1988
All Manufacturing	358.94	368.92	363.51	39.1	40.9	40.3	9.18	9.02	9.02
Durable Goods	408.96	431.96	431.70	38.4	42.6	43.3	10.65	10.14	9.97
Stone, Clay, Glass, & Conc.	343.98	357.86	326.76	37.8	40.3	38.9	9.10	8.88	8.40
Machinery, Except Elect.	488.80	412.82	438.97	46.2	43.5	46.6	10.58	9.49	9.42
Nondurable Goods	292.73	286.77	273.36	40.1	38.7	36.4	7.30	7.41	7.51
Food & Kindred Products	300.88	315.82	307.80	41.5	41.5	40.5	7.25	7.61	7.60
Textile Mill Products	250.88	245.50	179.90	40.4	38.3	25.7	6.21	6.41	7.00
Apparel Products	256.23	250.80	240.48	39.0	37.1	36.0	6.57	6.76	6.68



MEMPHIS MSA

The Memphis MSA unemployment rate decreased from 5.0 percent to 4.5 percent. Total nonagricultural employment increased by 700 jobs to 433,300. Manufacturing employment increased by 200 jobs with the largest increase reported in fabricated metals (+200). Nonmanufacturing employment increased by 500 jobs with the largest increase reported in services (+700) due to seasonal factors. The largest decrease was reported in federal government (-200) due to seasonal factors.

ESTIMATED NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (in thousands) *

INDUSTRY	April 1987	March 1988	April 1988	Net Change Apr. 1987 to Apr. 1988	Net Change Mar. 1988 to Apr. 1988
TOTAL	415.8	432.6	433.3	17.5	0.7
Manufacturing	51.9	52.9	53.1	1.2	0.2
Durable Goods	22.2	22.9	23.3	1.1	0.4
Lumber & Wood Products	2.5	2.8	2.8	0.3	0.0
Sawmills & Planing Mills	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.0	0.0
Furniture & Fixtures	1.9	2.0	2.0	0.1	0.0
Fabricated Metal Products	5.2	5.4	5.6	0.4	0.2
Machinery, Except Electrical	3.7	4.1	4.2	0.5	0.1
Electrical & Electronic Machinery	2.5	2.4	2.5	0.0	0.1
All Other Durable Goods	6.4	6.2	6.2	-0.2	0.0
Nondurable Goods	29.7	30.0	29.9	0.2	-0.1
Food & Kindred Products	8.2	8.9	8.3	0.1	0.0
Bakery Products	1.3	1.3	1.3	0.0	0.0
Apparel Products	2.0	2.0	2.0	0.0	0.0
Paper & Allied Products	6.0	6.0	5.9	-0.1	-0.1
Printing, Publishing, & Allied Ind.	5.0	5.2	5.2	0.2	0.0
Chemicals & Allied Products	6.5	6.6	6.7	0.2	0.1
All Other Nondurable Goods	2.0	1.9	1.8	-0.2	-0.1
Nonmanufacturing	363.9	379.7	380.2	16.3	0.5
Mining	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0
Construction	18.9	20.3	20.4	1.5	0.1
Trans., Communication, & Utilities	38.2	39.8	39.9	1.7	0.1
Trade	114.9	120.1	120.0	5.1	-0.1
Wholesale Trade	36.6	37.5	37.5	0.9	0.0
Wholesale Durable Goods	22.6	22.8	22.8	0.2	0.0
Wholesale Nondurable Goods	14.0	14.7	14.7	0.7	0.0
Retail Trade	78.3	82.6	82.5	4.2	-0.1
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	24.1	24.9	24.9	0.8	0.0
Services	96.5	99.2	99.9	3.4	0.7
Government	71.2	75.3	75.0	3.8	-0.3
Federal	18.4	18.9	18.7	0.3	-0.2
State & Local	52.8	56.4	56.3	3.5	-0.1
State	13.7	14.4	14.4	0.7	0.0
Local	39.1	42.0	41.9	2.8	-0.1

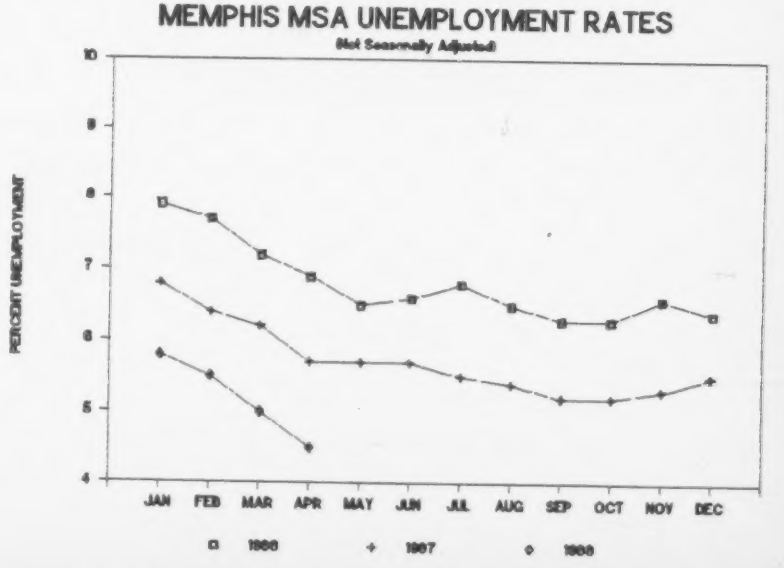
Includes Shelby and Tipton counties in Tennessee and Crittendon County in Arkansas.

* Data include all full- and part-time nonagricultural wage and salary employees who worked during, or received pay for, any part of the pay week which includes the 12th of the month. This is a count of jobs by place of work. Agricultural workers, proprietors, self-employed persons, workers in private households, and unpaid family workers are excluded.

Numbers may not add due to rounding.

HOURS AND EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS — MEMPHIS MSA

	Average Weekly Earnings Apr. 1987	Average Weekly Earnings Mar. 1988	Average Weekly Earnings Apr. 1988	Average Weekly Hours Apr. 1987	Average Weekly Hours Mar. 1988	Average Weekly Hours Apr. 1988	Average Hourly Earnings Apr. 1987	Average Hourly Earnings Mar. 1988	Average Hourly Earnings Apr. 1988
All Manufacturing	375.16	394.25	387.94	42.2	44.1	43.2	8.89	8.94	8.98
Durable Goods	323.60	346.46	343.51	40.5	42.2	42.2	7.99	8.21	8.14
Lumber & Wood Products	225.63	219.13	228.48	41.4	39.2	40.8	5.45	5.59	5.60
Furniture & Fixtures	187.72	215.39	204.29	38.0	36.2	33.6	4.94	5.95	6.08
Nondurable Goods	425.83	442.10	433.70	43.9	46.1	44.3	9.70	9.59	9.79
Food & Kindred Products	342.00	468.27	438.98	40.0	51.8	47.0	8.55	9.04	9.34
Paper & Allied Products	535.96	505.62	495.43	52.7	48.2	47.5	10.17	10.49	10.43
Chemicals & Allied Prod.	676.48	533.38	530.10	56.0	46.1	45.0	12.08	11.57	11.78



NASHVILLE MSA

The Nashville MSA unemployment rate decreased from 4.4 percent to 4.1 percent. Total nonagricultural employment increased by 600 jobs to 463,100. Manufacturing employment decreased by 200 jobs with the largest decreases reported in transportation equipment (-200) and apparel (-200) due to layoffs. Nonmanufacturing employment increased by 800 jobs. The largest increases were reported in construction (+400), services (+200), and finance, insurance and real estate (+200) due to seasonal factors.

ESTIMATED NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (in thousands) *

INDUSTRY	April 1987	March 1988	April 1988	Net Change Apr. 1987 to Apr. 1988	Net Change Mar. 1988 to Apr. 1988
TOTAL	472.1	462.5	463.1	-9.0	0.6
Manufacturing	90.0	86.6	86.4	-3.6	-0.2
Durable Goods	51.5	48.6	48.5	-3.0	-0.1
Lumber & Wood Products	2.5	2.4	2.4	-0.1	0.0
Furniture & Fixtures	4.2	4.5	4.4	0.2	-0.1
Fabricated Metal Products	8.0	7.9	8.1	0.1	0.2
Machinery	14.6	15.3	15.3	0.7	0.0
Transportation Equipment	14.5	10.4	10.2	-4.3	-0.2
All Other Durable Goods	7.8	8.1	8.1	0.3	0.0
Nondurable Goods	38.5	38.0	37.9	-0.6	-0.1
Food & Kindred Products	7.3	7.0	7.1	-0.2	0.1
Textile Mill Products	1.7	1.5	1.5	-0.2	0.0
Apparel Products	3.9	3.0	2.8	-1.1	-0.2
Printing, Publishing, & Allied Ind.	13.3	13.8	13.8	0.5	0.0
Petroleum and Rubber	4.7	5.1	5.1	0.4	0.0
Leather & Leather Products	1.9	1.9	1.9	0.0	0.0
All Other Nondurable Goods	5.7	5.7	5.7	0.0	0.0
Nonmanufacturing	382.1	375.9	376.7	-5.4	0.8
Mining	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.0	0.1
Construction	28.1	25.4	25.8	-2.3	0.4
Trans., Communication, & Utilities	22.5	24.2	24.3	1.8	0.1
Trade	113.9	112.2	111.9	-2.0	-0.3
Wholesale Trade	30.1	30.9	30.8	0.7	-0.1
Wholesale Durable Goods	18.4	18.7	18.9	0.4	0.2
Wholesale Nondurable Goods	11.7	12.2	11.9	0.2	-0.3
Retail Trade	83.8	81.3	81.1	-2.7	-0.2
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	32.9	33.2	33.4	0.5	0.2
Services & Miscellaneous	116.7	112.0	112.2	-4.5	0.2
Government	67.3	68.4	68.5	1.2	0.1
Federal	10.2	10.6	10.6	0.4	0.0
State & Local	57.1	57.8	57.9	0.8	0.1
State	23.9	23.5	23.5	-0.4	0.0
Local	33.2	34.3	34.4	1.2	0.1

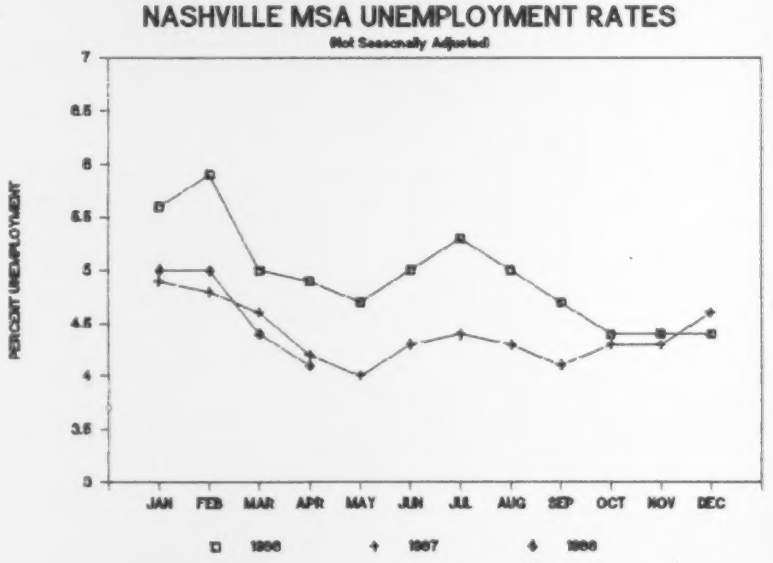
Includes Cheatham, Davidson, Dickson, Robertson, Rutherford, Sumner, Williamson, and Wilson counties.

*Data include all full- and part-time nonagricultural wage and salary employees who worked during, or received pay for, any part of the pay week which includes the 12th of the month. This is a count of jobs by place of work. Agricultural workers, proprietors, self-employed persons, workers in private households, and unpaid family workers are excluded.

Numbers may not add due to rounding.

HOURS AND EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS — NASHVILLE MSA

	Average Weekly Earnings Apr. 1987	Mar. 1988	Apr. 1988	Average Weekly Hours Apr. 1987	Mar. 1988	Apr. 1988	Average Hourly Earnings Apr. 1987	Mar. 1988	Apr. 1988
All Manufacturing	422.77	425.39	422.69	10.09	10.30	10.21	41.9	41.3	41.4
Durable Goods	453.23	439.68	446.78	10.74	10.75	10.74	42.2	40.9	41.6
Nondurable Goods	373.43	402.53	386.87	9.02	9.63	9.39	41.4	41.8	41.2
Food & Kindred Products	362.52	410.94	423.36	9.49	9.95	10.08	38.2	41.3	42.0
Printing & Publishing	417.11	409.14	416.15	10.35	10.28	10.15	40.3	39.8	41.0



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Group	All urban consumers			Wage earners & clerical workers		
	UNITED STATES	Unadjusted percent change to Apr. 1988 from		UNITED STATES	Unadjusted percent change to Apr. 1988 from	
		Apr. 1987	Mar. 1988		Apr. 1987	Mar. 1988
All items (1982-84=100)...	117.1	3.9	0.5	115.7	3.7	0.5
All items (1967=100).....	350.8	-	-	344.7	-	-
Food and beverages.....	116.7	3.5	0.6	116.3	3.3	0.5
Food.....	116.6	3.4	0.6	116.2	3.3	0.5
Food at home.....	114.6	3.0	0.6	114.2	2.9	0.6
Food away from home....	120.7	4.0	0.4	120.6	4.0	0.5
Alcoholic beverages.....	118.0	4.1	0.5	117.9	4.2	0.5
Housing.....	117.3	3.6	0.3	115.6	3.4	0.2
Shelter.....	125.8	4.7	0.2	123.0	4.5	0.1
Renters' costs 1/.....	132.9	4.6	0	118.4	4.0	0
Rent, residential.....	126.6	3.8	0.2	126.3	3.6	0.1
Apparel and upkeep.....	117.0	4.9	2.4	116.3	4.4	2.1
Transportation.....	107.2	2.9	0.7	106.8	2.9	0.6
Medical care.....	136.9	6.4	0.4	137.1	6.4	0.4
Entertainment.....	119.6	4.5	0.5	118.9	4.3	0.6
Other goods & services...	134.8	6.5	0.1	134.2	6.6	0.1
Purchasing power of the dollar: 1982-84=$1.00	$.854	- 3.6	- 0.5	$.864	- 3.6	- 0.5
	$.285	-	-	$.290	-	-

Group	All urban consumers			Wage earners & clerical workers		
	ALL ITEMS	Unadjusted percent change to Apr. 1988 from		ALL ITEMS	Unadjusted percent change to Apr. 1988 from	
		Apr. 1987	Mar. 1988		Apr. 1987	Mar. 1988
SOUTH (1982-84=100).....	115.4	3.5	0.5	114.7	3.4	0.4
Less than 50,000 pop.....	113.6	3.6	0.8	114.2	3.5	0.7
50,000 - 450,000 pop.....	114.5	3.4	0.4	114.9	3.4	0.5
450,000 - 1,200,000 pop...	116.3	3.7	0.4	114.1	3.4	0.4
1,200,000 or more pop.....	116.0	3.2	0.4	115.1	3.1	0.3
SOUTH (Dec. 1977=100).....	187.2	-	-	185.7	-	-
Less than 50,000 pop.....	184.5	-	-	184.9	-	-
50,000 - 450,000 pop.....	185.4	-	-	185.9	-	-
450,000 - 1,200,000 pop...	189.9	-	-	184.9	-	-
1,200,000 or more pop.....	187.3	-	-	186.4	-	-

1/ Base year is December 1982 for CPI-U; December 1984 for CPI-W.

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